

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to an image pickup apparatus in which a display surface of a display device can be looked at favorably when imaging a subject and furthermore, in which it never happens that the display device becomes obstructive during the imaging and it is possible to carry out the imaging operation with good stability.

The image pickup apparatus of the present invention relates to an image pickup apparatus provided with imaging means for forming a video signal of a subject according to a light inputted from a lens device 12; a liquid crystal display 13 for displaying a video picture according to the video signal; and an image pickup apparatus body 11 for housing the imaging means and also for having a handle 20 which is extended in approximately parallel with a light axis of a lens system of the lens device 12. The liquid crystal display 13 is provided integrally or by another member on the front side in the light axis direction of the handle 20 such that the posture thereof can be changed.

According to the image pickup apparatus of the present invention, it is possible to arrange the first display device at the most conspicuous position when taking a picture by holding the handle, so that it is possible to improve operability when taking a picture.